

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

NEW ENGLAND LIFE INSURANCE  
COMPANY,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

JIMMY LEE, et al.,

Defendant(s).

Case No. 2:14-cv-01797-JCM-NJK

ORDER

(Docket No. 60)

Pending before the Court is a stipulation to extend the deadline to amend the pleadings or add parties. Docket No. 60. The Court previously denied that request because the parties failed to show excusable neglect. *See* Docket No. 59. The pending stipulation indicates that excusable neglect exists because the parties misinterpreted the applicable local rule as applying only to discovery-related deadlines. *See* Docket No. 60 at 3. Generally speaking, misinterpretation of an applicable rule does not constitute excusable neglect. *See, e.g., Pioneer Inv. Servs. Co. v. Brunswick Assocs. Ltd. Partnership*, 507 U.S. 380, 392 (1993) (“inadvertence, ignorance of the rules, or mistakes construing the rules do not generally constitute ‘excusable’ neglect”). Nonetheless, as a one time courtesy to the parties, the Court will **GRANT** the pending stipulation and **EXTEND** the deadline to amend the pleadings or add parties to November 1, 2015.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 9, 2015

  
NANCY J. KOPRE  
United States Magistrate Judge